(a)	(b)	(c)
11. Other issues	The Government of India reserves the right to cancel the bidding process or disqualify any bidder.	The Government of India reserves the right issues to cancel the bidding process or disqualify any bidder without assigning any reason.

Bifurcation between tower business/operations by telecom operators

644. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has initiated a study to find out as to how the operators are separating the tower business from the accounts of their parent firm;

(b) if so, the complete details thereof; and

(c) the names of telecom operators who are bifurcating their tower businesses/operations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Not applicable in view of (a) above.

(c) M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., M/s Tata Teleservices Ltd., M/s Reliance Communications Ltd., and M/s Vodafone Essar Ltd. have reported bifurcation of their tower businesses/operations.

3G telecom services

645. SHRI MOINUL HASSAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has contemplated to introduce Third Generation (3G) telecom services;

(b) if so, whether foreign companies will be allowed in telecom sector;

(c) whether Government has offered to existing domestic operators and public sector BSNL for 3G telecom services; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Government has announced detailed guidelines for auction and allotment of spectrum for 3G Telecom Services, on 01.08.08 and cetain amendments on 11.09.08. As per this guidelines any person,

(i) Who holds a UAS/CMTS licence; or

(ii) (a) who has previous experience of running 3G Telecom Services; and